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VIA HAND DELIVERY

David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re: Petition for Arbitration of the Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Time Warner Telecom of the Mid-South, L.P. Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 99-00797

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original and thirteen copies of BellSouth's Responses to the Staff Data Request dated January 11, 2001. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

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REQUEST: Why has the arbitrated Interconnect Agreement in this Docket not been submitted to the Authority for approval?

RESPONSE: Contract negotiations took place following November 27, 2000, when the written order was issued by the TRA. An agreement was signed on December 15, 2000.

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REQUEST: When will the arbitrated Interconnection Agreement in this Docket be submitted to the Authority for approval?

RESPONSE: BellSouth and Time Warner expect to submit the agreement to the TRA for approval by January 24, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 16, 2001, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record, via the method indicated:

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